This document will assist persons with determining what type of tattoo license they need.

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Tattoo Artist Licensure Requirements

In Florida,

A Tattoo Artist License requires the following:
- Completed Application for Tattoo Artist License ($60, local county health department may charge additional fee).
- At least 18 years of age
- Copy of government-issued photo ID
- Documentation of a completed tattoo Education Courses with a passing score of at least 70%.

A Guest Tattoo Registration requires the following:
- Completed Application for Guest Tattoo Artist Registration. (170kb PDF) ($35).
- Proof of active license, registration, or certification outside of Florida.
- Documentation of completed tattoo Education Courses with a passing score of at least 70% or comparable education and examination that meet or exceed the requirements of s. 381.0077(2)(b)(4), Florida Statutes.
- At least 18 years of age.
- Copy of government-issued photo ID.

If your state or country does not require a tattoo artist license, registration, or certification, you must apply for a Florida Tattoo Artist License.

Tattoo Artists from these jurisdictions have been determined to meet the educational requirements for the Guest Tattoo Artist Registration.

Oregon  Italy  Puerto Rico
States and Countries that Issue Tattoo Artist Licenses

Tattoo Artists holding an active tattoo artist license, certification, or registration from the following states/countries qualify for the Guest Tattoo Artist Registration or Tattoo Artist License. These artists must complete a Department approved Bloodborne Pathogen and Communicable Diseases course.

1. Alaska
2. Arkansas
3. Connecticut
4. Hawaii
5. Iowa
6. Maine
7. Mississippi
8. Missouri
9. New Hampshire
10. North Carolina
11. Oklahoma
12. Rhode Island
13. South Dakota
14. Tennessee
15. Vermont
16. Virginia
17. Washington
18. Wisconsin
19. Portsmouth, U.K.

States and Countries that do not Issue Tattoo Artist Licenses

The following states/countries do not license, certify, or register tattoo artists. Therefore, tattoo artists from these states are not eligible to apply for a Guest Tattoo Artist Registration, but may apply for a Tattoo Artist License and complete required Department approved Bloodborne Pathogen and Communicable Diseases course.

1. Arizona
2. British Columbia, Canada
3. Delaware
4. Idaho
5. Illinois
6. Indiana
7. Louisiana
8. Maryland
9. Michigan
10. Montana
11. New Jersey
12. North Dakota
13. Ohio
14. South Carolina
15. Utah
16. West Virginia
States that Issue Unacceptable Tattoo Artist Licenses

Tattoo artists from the following states hold licenses, certifications, or registrations that do not state “Tattoo Artist” and therefore, are not acceptable. Tattoo Artists from these states need to apply for a Tattoo Artist License, unless the artist can obtain documentation from the licensing jurisdiction that the license was issued specifically for tattooing.

1. Alabama
2. Georgia
3. Kansas
4. Kentucky
5. Massachusetts
6. Minnesota
7. Nebraska
8. Nevada
9. New Mexico

Tattoo Artist Licenses Issued by County or City

The following states do not have statewide regulations for tattooing. In these states, some of the counties or cities may license, certify, or register the tattoo artists. Check with tattoo artists from these states to determine if they have been issued a tattoo artist license, certification, or registration.

1. California
2. Colorado
3. Georgia
4. New York
5. Nevada
6. Pennsylvania
7. Texas
8. Wyoming